

2023-2024 Religious Education Program for 1st to 6th Grade

St. Peter & St. Denis Catholic Church, Yonkers, NY

Classes on Saturday mornings from 9:45 to 11:30 am

Students should arrive in the gym by 9:40 am for opening pray and announcements

Minimum 30 classes of 90 minutes each for the year are required by the Archdiocese of New York

<u>September</u>	Classes 9/9, 9/16, 9/23, 9/30
Sep. 9	First day of catechism classes
Sep. 17	Catechetical Sunday - Blessing of Teachers (During Mass at 8:30 y 10:30 AM)
Sep. 30	Catechist Meeting (2 nd floor classroom 11:30 AM)
<u>October</u>	Classes 10/7, 10/21, 10/28
Oct. 7	Parents Meeting / Reunion de Padres (School gym 10 AM)
Oct. 14	No Class - Catechetical Forum (Cardinal Spellman High School, Bronx NY)
Oct. 28	Fire Drill
<u>November</u>	Classes 11/4, 11/11, 11/18
Nov. 04	Confirmation Mass for HS students (10 AM and 2 PM)
Nov. 11	Safe environment class (Given by the catechists)
Nov. 25	No Class - Thanksgiving Break
<u>December</u>	Classes 12/2, 12/9, 12/16
Dec 2	Special Advent class during Catechism
Dec 2	<i>Retiro de Adviento en español para Adultos</i> (Gimnasio de la iglesia)
Dec 9	Parents meeting / Reunion de Padres - parents of 1 st Confession students (School gym 10 AM)
Dec 16	Christmas Festival / Festival de Navidad (Church gym 9:45 – 11:30 am and 8 – 10 pm)
Dec 23/30	No Classes 12/23 and 12/30 for Christmas break
<u>January</u>	Classes 1/6, 1/13, 1/20, 1/27
Jan 6	Catechist Meeting (2 nd floor classroom 11:30 AM)
Jan 13	Lock Down Drill
Jan 20	Parents meeting / Reunion de Padres - parents of children receiving baptism (School gym 10 AM)
<u>February</u>	Classes 2/3, 2/10, 2/17, 2/24
Feb 3	Parents meeting / Reunion de Padres - for parents of 1 st Communion students (School gym 10 AM)
Feb 14	Ash Wednesday/Miércoles de Ceniza
Feb 17	Special Lent class with catechists (School 9:45 am – 3:00 pm)
Feb 17	<i>Retiro de Adviento en español para Adultos</i> (Gimnasio de la iglesia)
Feb 20/21	1 st Confessions (see sacrament dates next page)
Feb 27/28	1 st Confessions (see sacrament dates next page)
<u>March</u>	Classes 3/2, 3/9, 3/16, 3/23
Mar 5/6	1 st Confessions (see sacrament dates next page)
Mar 2	Catechist Meeting (7 th grade room 11:30 AM)
Mar 30	No classes – Easter Break
<u>April</u>	Classes 4/6, 4/13, 4/20, 4/27
Apr 7	Baptism for children in catechism (Church after 12 PM Mass) – Spanish
TBD	Baptism for children in catechism – English (if necessary)
Apr 20	1 st Communion Retreat (9:45 – 2:00 PM)
<u>May</u>	Classes 5/4, 5/11
May 11	Last Day of Classes
May 18, 25	1 st Communions (see sacrament dates next page)

Sacrament Dates (Subject to change)

Baptism

Apr 7 Baptism for children in catechism (After 12 pm Mass in the church) – Spanish
TBD Baptism for children in catechism – English (if necessary)

1st Confession

2 nd Grade	Feb 20/21	5 pm in the church
3 rd Grade	Feb 27	5 pm in the church
4 th Grade	Feb 28	5 pm in the church
5 th Grade	Mar 5	5 pm in the church
6 th Grade	Mar 6	5 pm in the church

1st Communion Mass

4 th Grade	Sat May 18	10:30 am in the church
5 th Grade	Sat May 18	1:00 pm in the church
6 th Grade	Sun May 25	10:30 am in the church

1st Communion Rehearsals and Confessions (Parents should be present)

4 th Grade	Tue May 14	8 pm in the church	Rehearsal
	Wed May 15	5 pm in the church	Confessions
5 th Grade	Thu May 16	8 pm in the church	Rehearsal
	Fri May 17	5 pm in the church	Confessions
6 th Grade	Thu May 23	8 pm in the church	Rehearsal
	Fri May 24	5 pm in the church	Confessions

Recommended Activities for Parents

Retreats / Retiros (en español)

Adviento – Dec 2, Cuaresma – Feb 17, Pentecostés – TBD
Parejas - TBD, Mujeres – TBD, Hombres – TBD

Family Events / Eventos para la Familia

Christmas Festival – Dec 16
Via Crucis (español) – Para la familia de niños de catecismo – Feb 16 después de la misa de 7 PM
 – Todos los viernes de cuaresma – 2/16, 2/23, 3/1, 3/8, 3/15, 3/22 después de la misa de 7PM

We encourage everyone to be active member of a small group of faith formation and prayer within the parish. If you are interested call the parish office at (914) 963-0822